walks to be paved in the same, and to this end it may re-Pavements. quire the owners of lots to pave or repair the same, contiguous to their respective lots, and in case of neglect after reasonable time named in the order, the same may be done by the city, and the expenses of the same assersed on Expense. the contiguous lots, which shall have the effect of a tax levied Assessed on lots. threon; and the same may be sold therefor as for a tax, May be sold. subject to the right of redemption. All road tax which may Road tax. hereafter be paid upon any property in Knoxville in lieu of labor, shall be paid to the property authorities of said city, for the improvement of the streets thereof. Any person being a resident of said city, subject by the law of this State to do work upon roads and highways, shall be required to do Working on and perform, or cause the same to be done, under direction of roads. the proper authorities, upon the streets of said city or public Streets. roads and highways leading thereto, as said authorities may direct. The city corncil shall supercede the road supervisors Supervising. in all jurisdiction within the corporate limits, and perform all their duties, and shall be required to perform labor on, Roads and and keep in repair, all the public roads and highways lead-highways. ing thereto, within one mile of said city.

§ 43. This act shall take effect from and after its passage. Take effect. Approved January 24th, 1855.

CHAPTER 72.

SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.

AN ACT to re-locate the seat of Government.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, That five commissioners, a majority of whom Commissioners are hereby empowered to act, shall be appointed by the Governor to re-locate the Seat of Government of this State; Provided, that the site selected by them shall be within two Site. miles of the junction of the Des Moines and Racoon rivers in Polk county; and provided further, that the Governor, be-

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fore issuing his proclamation, as hereinafter provided, shall prove. approve of the site selected, and of the proceedings of the commissioners, or a majority of them.

Meeting.

The said commissioners shall meet on the first Monday in April next, or within thirty days thereafter, at Iowa City, or such other place as a majority of them may agree upon.

Oath:

Before entering upon the discharge of their duties, **§ 3**. they shall severally take and subscribe an oath, for the faithful and impartial discharge of their duties; and that in making said re-location, they will have strict regard to the interest of the entire State: which said oath shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of State.

Filed.

Grants of land It shall be their duty in making said re-location, to obtain at least as much land as is necessary for the Capital buildings, and may be practicable to obtain without charge to the state; and also, any and all grants and donations of land and town lots, within their power to the State; and for that purpose they are hereby authorized and empowered to take proper conveyances therefor.

Deeds.

Lay out town. § 5. If such selection is not made at a point where some town, village, or city is already located, the said commissioners shall proceed to lay off the lands so selected, into suitable blocks, lots and squares, and for that purpose have a right to take to their aid a competent surveyor and assistants.

Plat.

When the said survey is completed, they shall make § 6. a plat thereof, and return the same certified, as required by law, with a report of their doing in the premises, to the Secretary of State, who shall file the same in his office; after

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which the place so selected, shall be, and remain the seat of Government of this State.

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For their services in full, the said commissioners shall each receive the sum of three dollars per day for the time they are actually employed: the surveyor (if any.) shall be paid the sum of three dollars per day, and the assistants strictly necessary the sum of two dollars per day; which sums shall be paid from the State Treasury, unless the same shall be paid by the proprietor or proprietors, or citizens of the place so selected.

How paid.

- § 8. Should a vacancy or vacancies occur in the said com-Vacancies. missioners, the Governor shall fill the same by appointment.
- § 9. Until otherwise ordered, as provided in the next section, the General Assembly shall meet, and the officers of State shall keep their offices at the present seat of Government.

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- § 10. When buildings are prepared for the accommoda-Suitable buildtion of the General Assembly and the officers of State, which ings.
 in the opinion of the Governor, are suitable therefor, he shall
 issue his proclamation to that effect, and from that time the Proclamation.
 General Assembly shall meet, and the officers of State keep Removal.
 their offices at such new Seat of Government; Provided, State pays nothat said buildings shall be erected without expense to
 the State, and no money shall be paid out of the Treasury
 of the State for the erection of said buildings.
- § 11. This Act to take effect and be in force from and af-Take effect ter its passage.

APPROVED 25th January, 1855.

I hereby certify that the above Act was published by direction of the Governor in the Iowa Capital Reporter, on the 28th day of February, and in the Iowa Republican on the 6th day of March, 1855

GEORGE W. McCLEARY, Sec'y of State.

CHAPTER 73.

STATE ROAD.

AN ACT to locate a State Road from Centerville to Ottumwa

- SEC. 1. Bo it enacted by the General Assembly of the State Commission of Iowa, That John Whisler, senior, and Joab G. Brown, ers. of Appanoose county, and Benjamin Baum, of Wapello county, be appointed Commissioners to locate a State Road, from Centerville, in Appanoose county, via Abraham Pey-Centreville to rie's Mill, on Chariton river, and Unionville, in said county, Ottumwa. to Ottumwa, in Wapello county.
 - § 2. Said Commissioners shall have two dollars per day, Per diem,